

Listing and Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all previous versions and listings of claims in this application:

- 1. (Previously Presented)** A transflective liquid crystal display device, comprising:

 - a front substrate on a viewer side, and a rear substrate;
 - a liquid crystalline cell sandwiched between the front substrate and the rear substrate, said liquid crystalline cell having transmissive portions for selectively passing light generated by a backlight, and reflective portions for selectively reflecting ambient light, said transmissive portions provided with a first cell gap and said reflective portions provided with a second cell gap, and
 - an optical retarder at the viewer side of said liquid crystalline cell, a thickness of said optical retarder being such as to compensate a difference between the first cell gap and the second cell gap.
- 2. (Previously Presented)** A transflective liquid crystal display device, comprising:

 - a front substrate on a viewer side, and a rear substrate;
 - a liquid crystalline cell sandwiched between the front substrate and the rear substrate, said liquid crystalline cell having transmissive portions for selectively passing light generated by a backlight, and reflective portions for selectively reflecting ambient light, said transmissive portions provided with a first cell gap and said reflective portions provided with a second cell gap, and
 - an optical retarder at the viewer side of said liquid crystalline cell, a thickness of said optical retarder being such as to compensate a difference between the first cell gap and the second cell gap, and wherein the optical retarder is a patterned retarder extending substantially only over the reflective portions of the liquid crystalline cell.
- 3. (Currently Amended)** A transflective liquid crystal display device as claimed in Claim 1, wherein the optical retarder ~~is essentially~~ includes a quarter-wave retarder for the reflective portions.

4. (Previously Presented) A transflective liquid crystal display device as claimed in Claim 1, further comprising a color filter having a different thickness for the reflective portions and the transmissive portions of the cell, wherein the thickness of the optical retarder is such as to compensate both a difference between the first cell gap and the second cell gap, and said different thickness of said color filter.

5. (Previously Presented) A transflective liquid crystal display device as claimed in Claim 4, wherein the color filter is arranged between the front substrate and the optical retarder.

6. (Original) A transflective liquid crystal display device as claimed in Claim 4, wherein the optical retarder is arranged between the front substrate and the color filter.

7. (Previously Presented) A transflective liquid crystal display device as claimed in Claim 1, wherein the first cell gap is between 1.5 and 2.5 times the second cell gap.